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A charming and high quality French 19th century Louis XV st. tulipwood and kingwood bureau plat desk, possibly by G. Durand. The desk is raised by four elegant slender cabriole legs with striking wrap around fitted foliate ormolu sabots with their original casters. A fine ormolu chute leads up each leg to impressive finely chased ormolu corner mounts with a lovely smooth cabochon in a rich satin and burnished finish. The scalloped shaped frieze displays three drawers each displaying foliate ormolu keyhole escutcheons and exceptional floral marguetry which extends along the sides and back framed within a butterfly veneered design. Above is the original leather writing surface framed within a mottled ormolu wrap around gallery. Gervais-Maximilien-Eugène Durand, Paris (1839-1920) Maison Durand was established in 1870 Paris, producing top quality 18th century style furniture. Durand participated at the Exposition Universelle in 1889, where he received a silver medal. Durand was commended as a very talented and modest cabinetmaker creating furniture of the highest caliber, not only the creator but also the designer of each piece, and notably following in the footsteps of Masters such as Beurdeley and Dasson. In 1890 his son Frederic-Louis joined him and the firm was renamed Durand et Filsnnn.



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